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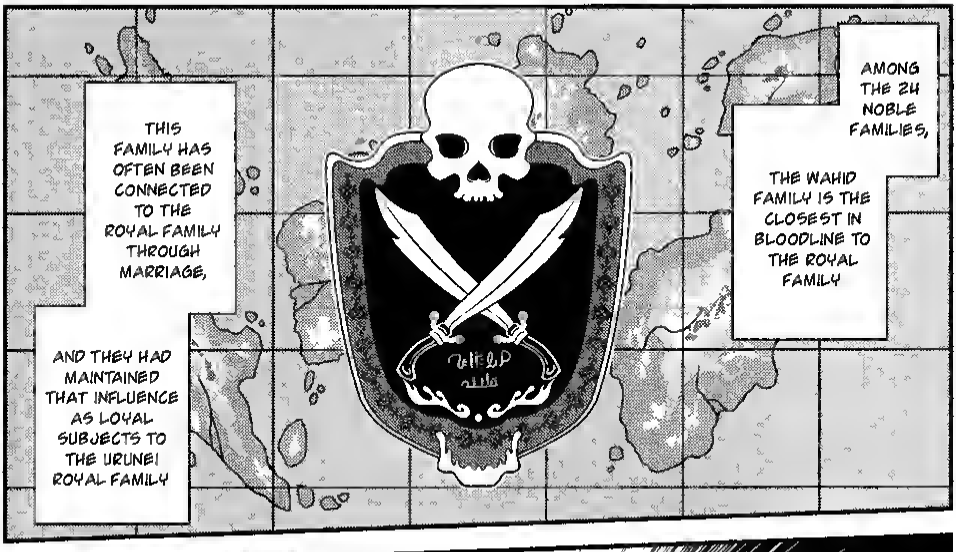
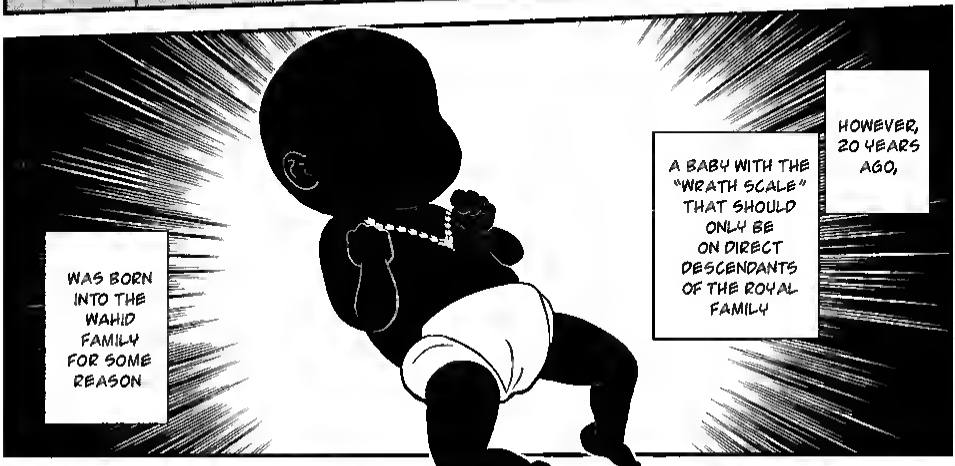
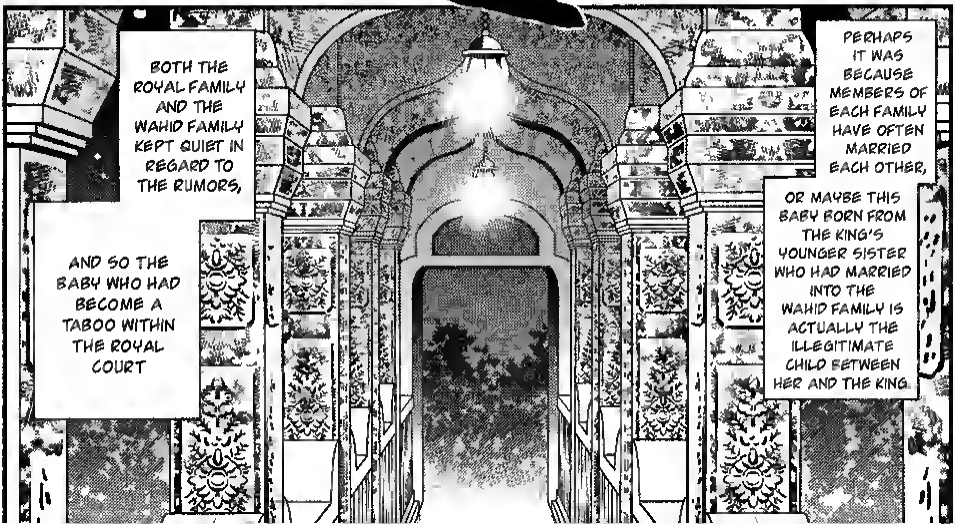

AMONG THE 24 NOBLE FAMILIES,
THE WAHID FAMILY IS THE CLOSEST IN BLOODLINE TO THE ROYAL FAMILY
THIS FAMILY HAS OFTEN BEEN CONNECTED TO THE ROYAL FAMILY THROUGH MARRIAGE,
AND THEY HAD MAINTAINED THAT INFLUENCE AS LOYAL SUBJECTS TO THE URUNEI ROYAL FAMILY

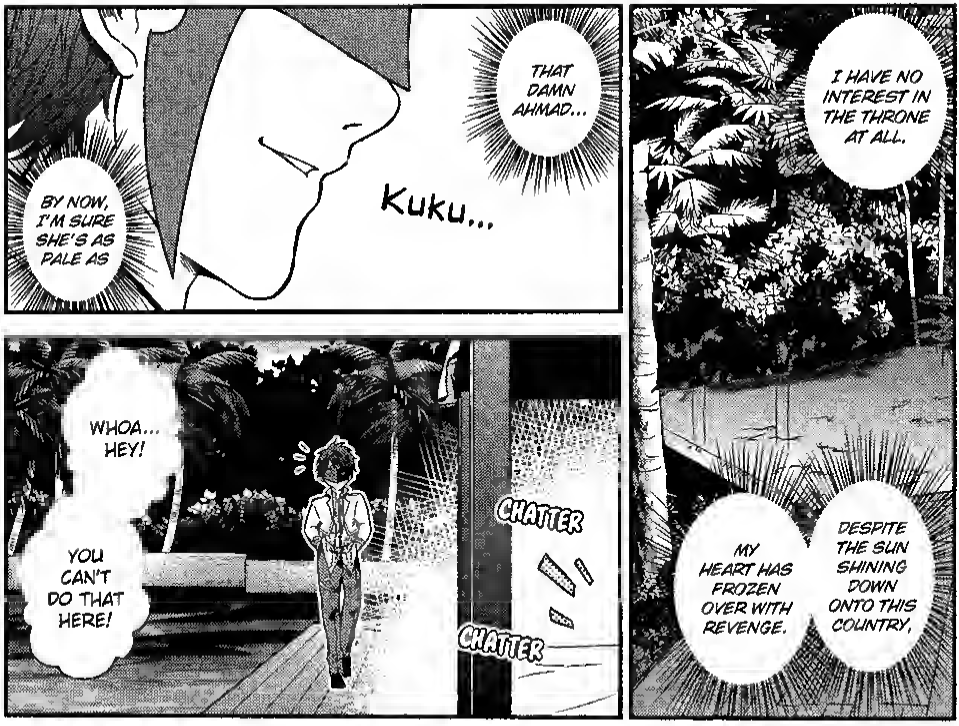

HOWEVER, 20 YEARS AGO,
A BABY WITH THE "WRATH SCALE" THAT SHOULD ONLY BE ON DIRECT DESCENDANTS OF THE ROYAL FAMILY
WAS BORN INTO THE WAHID FAMILY FOR SOME REASON


PERHAPS IT WAS BECAUSE MEMBERS OF EACH FAMILY HAVE OFTEN MARRIED EACH OTHER,
OR MAYBE THIS BABY BORN FROM THE KING'S YOUNGER SISTER WHO HAD MARRIED INTO THE WAHID FAMILY IS ACTUALLY THE ILLEGITIMATE CHILD BETWEEN HER AND THE KING.
BOTH THE ROYAL FAMILY AND THE WAHID FAMILY KEPT QUIET IN REGARD TO THE RUMORS,
AND SO THE BABY WHO HAD BECOME A TABOO WITHIN THE ROYAL COURT

IS THE "SHADOW PRINCE" ALWAYS KEPT OUT OF THE LIGHT OF DAY,
NICKNAMED THE "BLACK PRINCE" JEMAL.

THE KING IS BEDRIDDEN RIGHT NOW, SO HE CAN'T DIRECTLY ATTEND TO GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS.
SO WHAT DO YOU SAY...?
LET AHMAD ASCEND TO THE THRONE...
KUKU...
AND IF YOU LIKE...
I WOULDN'T MIND THROWING MY SUPPORT BEHIND YOU.
THE THRONE?
IT'S NOT AS IF WE HAVE THE FORCE OF LAW BEHIND US,
BUT EVEN URUNEIAN CHILDREN KNOW THAT THE "WRATH SCALE" IS THE SYMBOL OF THE KING...

KUKU...
SURELY YOU JEST, QUEEN MOTHER.
YOU WANT ME TO BE A PUPPET OF THE 24 NOBLE FAMILIES?
JEMAL!
I'M NOT INTERESTED IN A FAKE THRONE,
SO I'LL HAVE TO DECLINE!
EVERYONE'S UNDER-ESTIMATING ME...
DOES THAT OLD BAG THINK SHE CAN CONTROL ME?

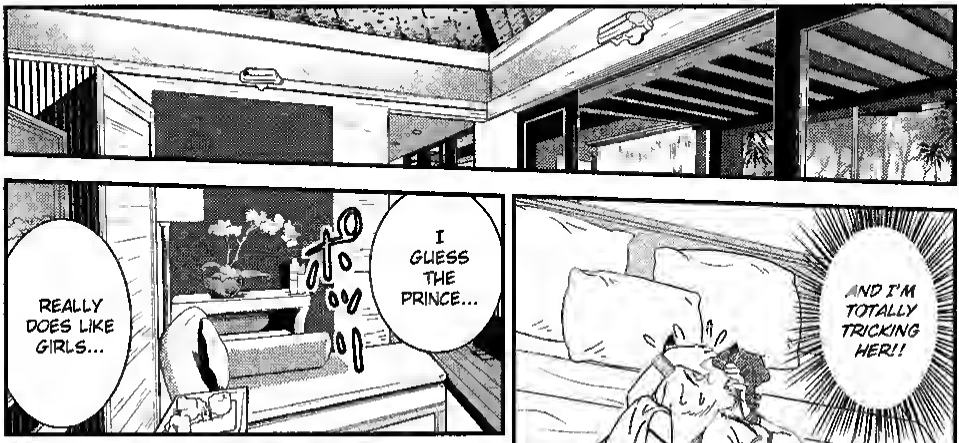

I HAVE NO INTEREST IN THE THRONE AT ALL.
DESPITE THE SUN SHINING DOWN ONTO THIS COUNTRY,
MY HEART HAS FROZEN OVER WITH REVENGE.
THAT DAMN AHMAD...
Kuku...
BY NOW, I'M SURE SHE'S AS PALE AS
CHATTER
CHATTER
WHOA... HEY!
YOU CAN'T DO THAT HERE!
WOULDN'T IT BE BAD IF SOMEONE SAW US LIKE THIS OUT HERE?
Eh heh heh heh!
THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH THIS...

AH!
GEEZ... IT'S JUST LIKE I SAID!
WELL, YOU GOT ME THERE!
FREEZE... FREEZE OVER, HEART!!
OH! LOOK WHO'S HERE,
MY COUSIN JEMAL.
GOOD AFTERNOON, CROWN PRINCE...
I HEARD YOU ATTENDED OUR ENGAGEMENT PARTY THE OTHER DAY.
ATTENDED? FAR FROM IT,
I WAS JUST THERE WORKING BEHIND THE SCENES.

I'LL FORMALLY OFFER MY CONGRATULATIONS ANOTHER TIME,
I BELIEVE YOU'RE MISTAKEN.
BUT I REMEMBER YOU GIVING ME A RATHER POLITE GREETING BACK THEN.
OH REALLY?
HMM...
ALL RIGHT, GO!
BUT I HAVE SOME BUSINESS TO ATTEND TO.
Uh!
BECAUSE A CERTAIN SOMEONE WON'T BE FALLING FOR HIS SWEET TALK ANYMORE.
AND IT WAS ALSO TO TELL HIM THAT HE CAN'T PULL ANY WEIRD TRICKS BETWEEN YOU AND ME NOW,
...THERE WERE VARIOUS REASONS LIKE THOSE THAT I HAD COOKED UP...
HEY... WHY DID WE WAIT HERE FOR HIM...?
THAT SAID... POINTING IT OUT MUST HAVE PISSED HIM OFF.
WE NEEDED TO SHOW HIM IMMEDIATELY THAT HIS ATTACK DIDN'T WORK.

I'VE BEEN SURROUNDED BY POLITICS FOR AS LONG AS I CAN REMEMBER
OUTSIDE OF POLITICAL POSITIONS OR DIPLOMACY,
THE THOUGHT OF BEING "PROTECTED"..
IS LIKE
...A DREAM,
BUT I JUST WANTED
...TO SHOW YOU OFF, NAO.

WHOOOOOA!
HER...
HER TENDERNESS IS KILLING ME...!!
SO I HAVE FAITH
THAT YOU WON'T BETRAY ME, NAO...


REALLY DOES LIKE GIRLS...
I GUESS THE PRINCE...
AND I'M TOTALLY TRICKING HER!!
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AT THIS POINT...
I CAN'T TELL HER I'M REALLY A GUY
BESIDES, SHE'S THE ONE WHO CREATED THIS WHOLE COMPLICATED SITUATION!
WHY DOES SHE DRESS UP LIKE A GUY?
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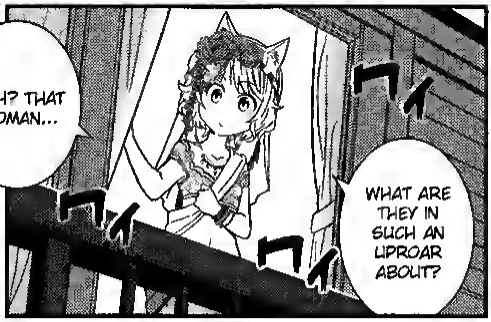
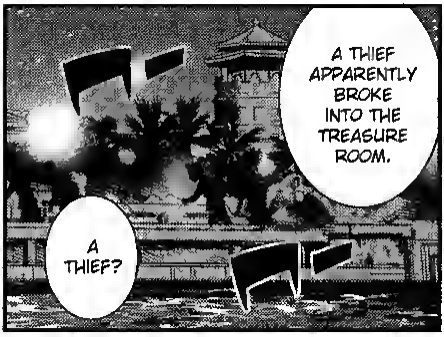
SPREAD OUT!
HE COULDN'T HAVE GOTTEN FAR!!

I FEEL LIKE I'VE OFTEN SEEN HER AROUND THE PRINCE...


HUH? THAT WOMAN...
WHAT ARE THEY IN SUCH AN UPROAR ABOUT?


A THIEF APPARENTLY BROKE INTO THE TREASURE ROOM.
A THIEF?

YES... AND FROM WHAT I HEARD,

THAT'S MAJOR MALIKA, THE LEADER OF NAGA
SHE'S THE CROWN PRINCE'S FOSTER SISTER AND CONFIDANT.
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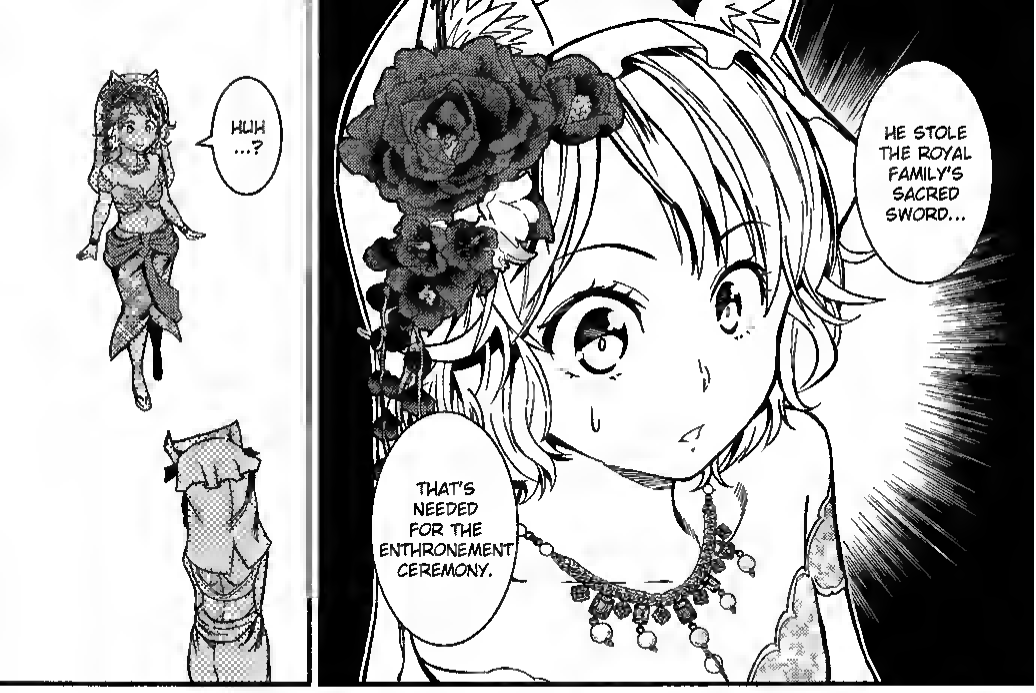
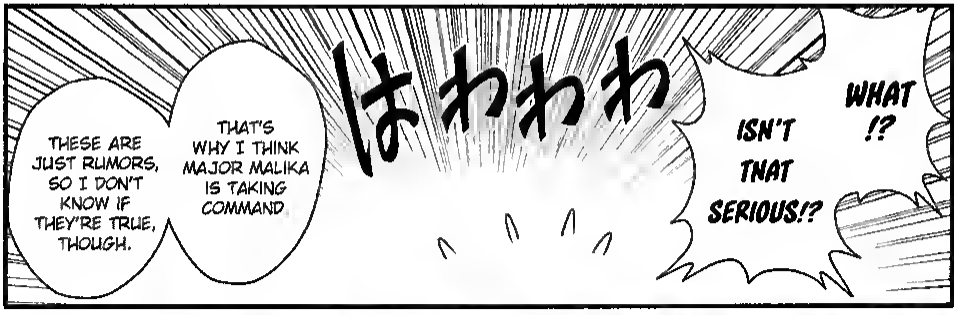

HUH ...?
HE STOLE THE ROYAL FAMILY'S SACRED SWORD...
THAT'S NEEDED FOR THE ENTHRONEMENT CEREMONY.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THESE ARE JUST RUMORS, SO I DON'T KNOW IF THEY'RE TRUE, THOUGH.
THAT'S WHY I THINK MAJOR MALIKA IS TAKING COMMAND.
ISN'T THAT SERIOUS!?
WHAT!?

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A FIGURE... ON THE ROOF...?

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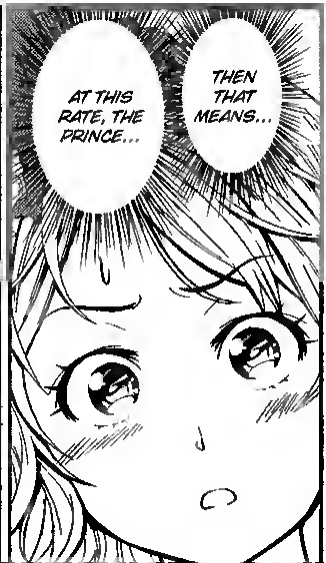
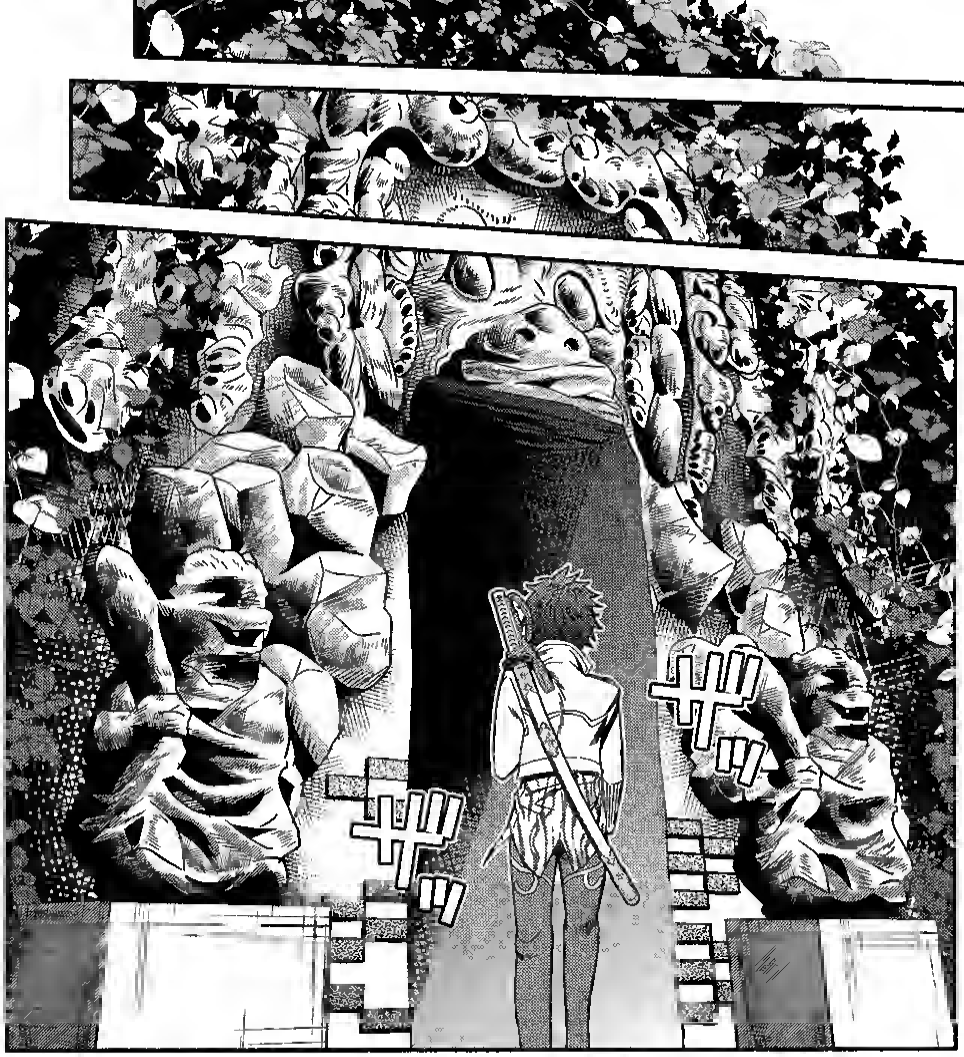

AT THIS RATE, THE PRINCE...
THEN THAT MEANS...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I KNEW...
IT WAS JEMAL!!

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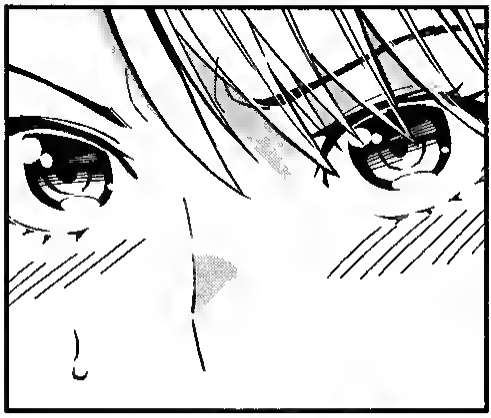
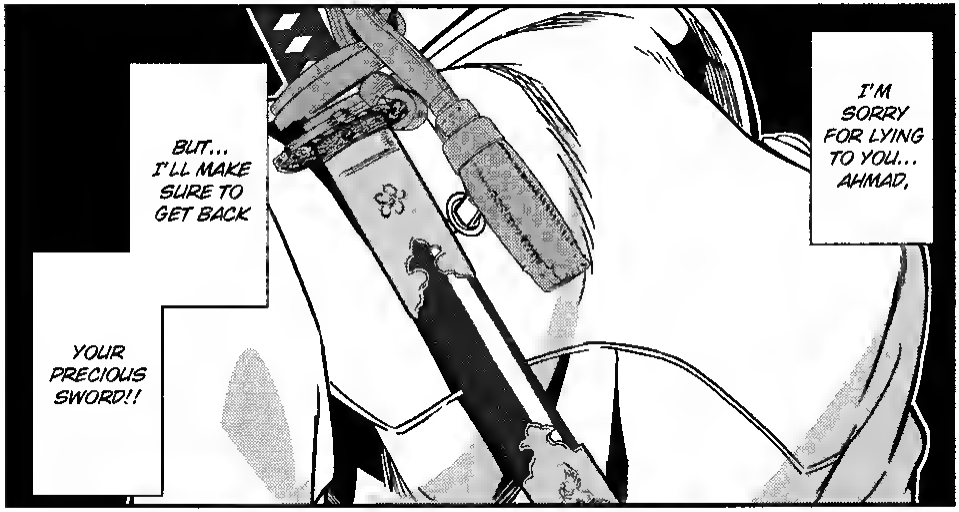
I HAVE FAITH THAT YOU WON'T BETRAY ME, NAO...



I HAD NO IDEA THERE WAS A PLACE LIKE THIS IN THE PALACE.
AND THAT REALLY HISTORICAL-LOOKING SWORD...
THAT MUST BE IT...!


I'M SORRY FOR LYING TO YOU... AHMAD,
BUT... I'LL MAKE SURE TO GET BACK
YOUR PRECIOUS SWORD!!

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I'LL SNEAK UP BEHIND HIM BEFORE HE NOTICES ME...
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AND THEN SNATCH IT IN AN INSTANT!

YOU SUCK A TAILING...
PUTRI HARIMAU !!
JEMAL!
YOU NOTICED ME...!?
NOTICE YOU? WHY DO YOU THINK I SHOWED MYSELF TO YOU?
YOU'RE JUST A SIMPLE-MINDED GIRL WITH A PRETTY FACE...
IN THE END, YOU JUST GOT SEDUCED BY AHMAD.
I...
I WASN'T SEDUCED !!
AHMAD IS...
HEH...
THE PRINCE'S POSITION LIES ON TOP OF A LOT OF CORPSES.
AHMAD IS A VAMPIRE SITTING CROSS-LEGGED ON TOP OF THE DEAD!

IS YEARS AGO RIGHT HERE...
AHMAD'S MOTHER AND TWIN SISTER
WERE FATALLY ATTACKED BY AN UNIDENTIFIED ANIMAL.
TWIN... SISTER!?
THERE SHOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ANY ANIMALS IN A PLACE LIKE THIS THAT WOULD EAT PEOPLE...
BUT THE INCIDENT WAS TREATED AS AN UNFORTUNATE ACCIDENT.
BUT THE ONE WHO WAS KILLED WAS ACTUALLY AHMAD HIMSELF.
THE ONE CLAIMING TO BE AHMAD RIGHT NOW...
IS AHMAD'S SISTER
WHO SHOULD BE DEAD!

I DON'T KNOW HOW SHE GOT IT.
BUT AHMAD'S WRATH SCALE IS FAKE...
SHE'S A FALSE PRINCE!!

THIS KINGDOM OF LIARS...
WILL BE JUDGED ALONGSIDE THEM WITH THE SWORD OF TRUTH!!

ONLY MY WRATH SCALE IS REAL...
BUT THIS COUNTRY... THIS KING
CHOSE A FALSE PRINCE AND A FALSE WRATH SCALE!!

EVEN YOU SHOULD UNDERSTAND THIS ANGER...
YOU'RE JUST A NORMAL GIRL MADE INTO BEING "PUTRI HARIMAU",
AND NOW YOU'RE A FALSE VICTIM!

WHOA !!
IS TRUTH
REALLY SOMETHING THAT CONVENIENT?
WHAT?
IF IT'S TO PROTECT SOME-ONE...
OR MAINTAIN SOME-THING,
THERE ARE SOME LIES THAT ARE UNAVOIDABLE.
IF YOU SEE IT LIKE THAT...
THEN EVEN LIES
HAVE VALUE!
GIVE ME BACK THAT SWORD!!

WHOA !!
!?
WHAT A STUPID GIRL...
TO THINK YOU'D GET SEDUCED BY THE LIKES OF AHMAD.
UWEH !!
Cough! Cough!

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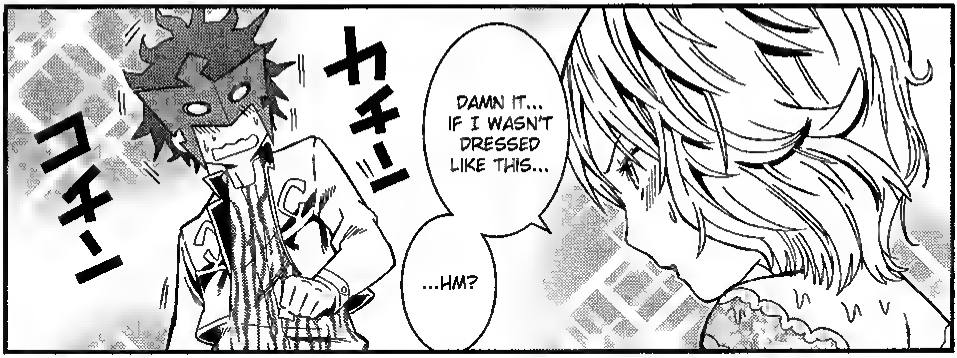
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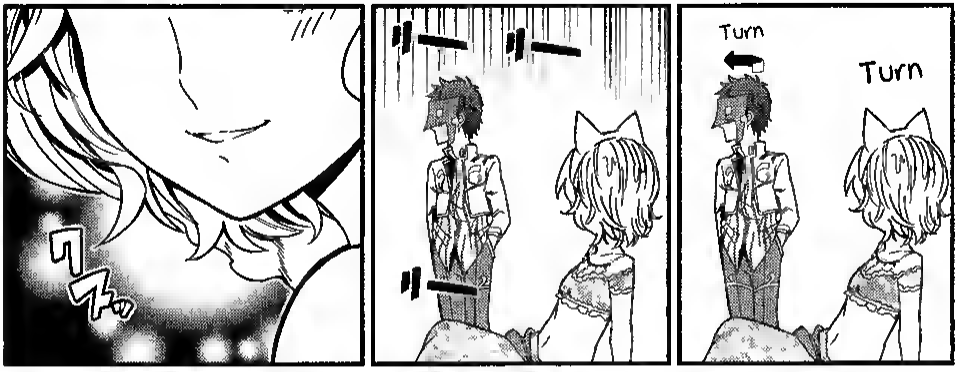
DAMN IT... IF I WASN'T DRESSED LIKE THIS...
...HM?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WH...
WHAT !?
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...WANT ME
SOAKED...
...TO SHOW YOU EVEN MORE?

TAKE A CLOSER LOOK.
COME ON...
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BA-DUMP

YOU'RE WIDE OPEN, YOU MASKED PERV!!
IT WAS WORTH DOING SOMETHING A LITTLE EMBARR-ASSING!!
!?

WHOA THERE. DON'T MAKE ANY SUDDEN MOVES.
I'VE GOT THE SWORD NOW.
YOU BITCH!

HEH...
YOU CAN'T PULL IT OUT...
WHAT?

I'VE DONE A LITTLE QUICK-DRAWING BECAUSE OF MY DAD'S HOBBY.
SO I HAVE SOME SKILL WITH DRAWING A SWORD.

LEGEND HAS IT THAT THAT SWORD WAS ONCE OWNED BY PUTRI HARIMAU.
IT HAS A STRONG CONNECTION TO HER,
SO ONLY PUTRI HARIMAU HERSELF CAN DRAW IT OUT.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT KIND OF TRICK SHE USED,
BUT PEOPLE HAVE TRIED TO PULL IT OUT WITH ALL THEIR STRENGTH TONS OF TIMES AND EVEN THAT WOULDN'T DO IT.
THAT'S JUST A STICK FOR A FAKE LIKE YOU...
SHUT UP! YOU'RE NOT GETTING IT BACK!!
THEN...
I'LL HAVE TO GET A LITTLE ROUGH!!
Whew...

WELL, WHAT DO YOU KNOW...

I DREW IT...
YOU LYING BASTARD!!
HA HA
HA HA HA HA!!
HA HA HA HA!!
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HEH...
EH HEH...!
I SEE...

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SO THE ONLY TWO IN THIS PHONY COUNTRY
THAT WERE REAL
WERE ME...
HUH?
SO YOU WERE...
THE REAL PUTRI HARIMAU...!!
AND YOU...!
!?

GO AHEAD.
IF I'M TO BE KILLED BY YOU, THEN THAT'S MY FATE.
YO...
YOU BASTARD! WHAT ARE YOU DOING!!?
LET ME GO! DO YOU WANT TO LOSE YOUR HEAD!!?
MMPF ...!?

HNN!
MM!
MPF!
OF PERSONALLY PLACING FLOWERS AT THE SCENE OF THE INCIDENT...
OH, I FORGOT TO MENTION.
AHMAD HAS A HABIT EVERY MONTH
ON THE NIGHT OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF HER MOTHER'S AND BROTHER'S DEATH...
Pfft!
Pfft!
Haa!
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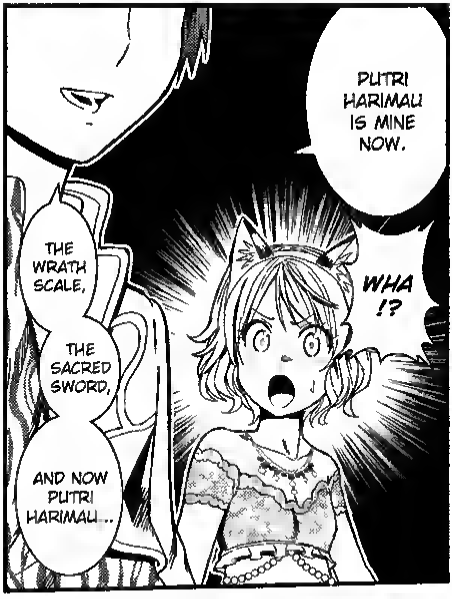
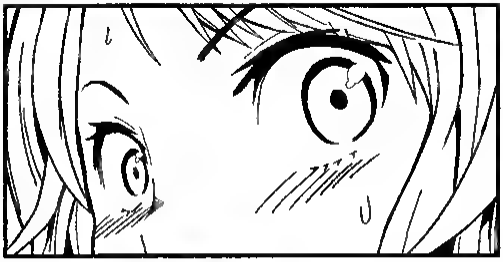
I HAVE FAITH IN YOU,
NAO.


PUTRI HARIMAU IS MINE NOW.
WHA !?
THE WRATH SCALE,
THE SACRED SWORD,
AND NOW PUTRI HARIMAU...



IT... IT'S NOT WHAT YOU THINK!
PERFECT TIMING, AHMAD.

THIS IS FATE!!
I'LL CHANGE URUNEI INTO A KINGDOM OF TRUTH!!
I'VE GAINED EVERY-THING AS THE TRUE KING!!

JEMAL !!!
YOU'RE FUCKING DEAD, YOU THIEF!!!
YOU'RE THE THIEF, YOU DAMN FAKE!!
GIVE ME BACK EVERY-THING AND THEN FUCKING DIE!

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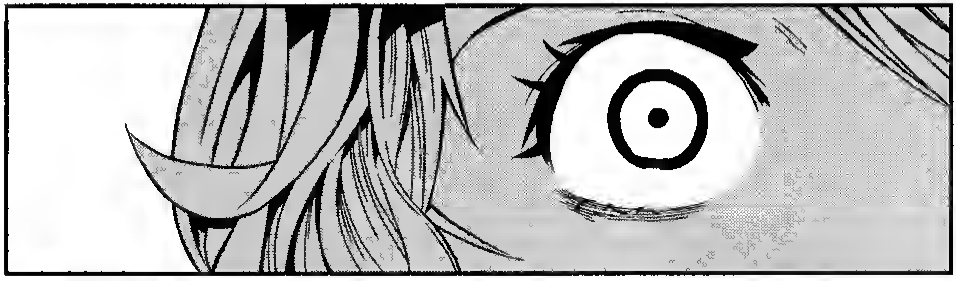
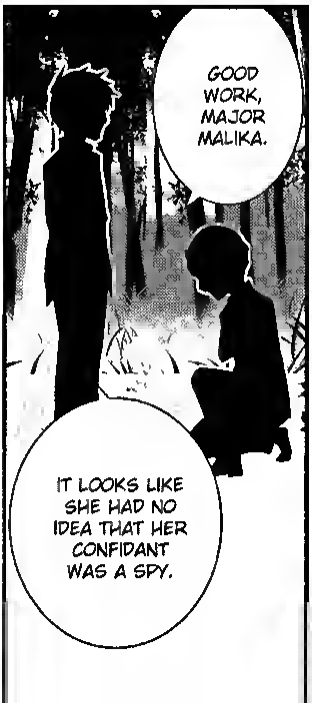
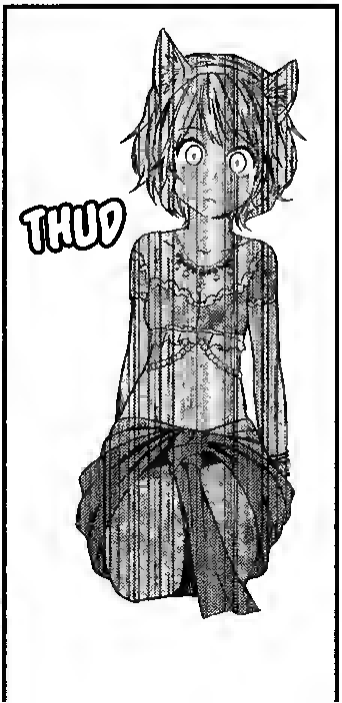
ARE YOU OKAY,
YOUR MAJESTY JEMAL?

I MEAN...
MY TRUE KING.



MY LOYALTY HAS ALWAYS BEEN WITH THE TRUE URUNEI ROYAL FAMILY...
I WAS JUST WAITING FOR THE WORD TO TAKE ACTION.


GOOD WORK, MAJOR MALIKA.
IT LOOKS LIKE SHE HAD NO IDEA THAT HER CONFIDANT WAS A SPY.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!!!
TO USE THE FULL POWER OF THE SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCE NAGA
TO IMMEDIATELY SEIZE THE PALACE!!
BY THE DRAGON'S WRATH SCALE, I ORDER YOU
AH... AH...
COME WITH ME... PUTRI HARIMAU!
AHMAD!!